

# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

#### DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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August 11, 2009

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

**ADOPTED** 

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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August 11, 2009

SACHI A. Hama SACHI A. HAMAI EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dear Supervisors:

GRANT OF EASEMENT FROM THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
TO QUARTZ HILL WATER DISTRICT
QUARTZ HILL WATER DISTRICT, SITE 1
ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 3111-001-913
IN THE CITY OF LANCASTER
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 5)
(4 VOTES)

#### **SUBJECT**

This action is to approve a grant of an easement from the County of Los Angeles to the Quartz Hill Water District for waterline purposes within Assessor's Parcel No. 3111-001-913 in the City of Lancaster.

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#### IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

- 1. Find this transaction categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.
- 2. Approve the grant of an easement for waterline purposes, from the County of Los Angeles to the Quartz Hill Water District, in, under, and across Assessor's Parcel No. 3111-001-913, in the City of Lancaster for \$9,900.
- 4. Instruct the Chairman to sign the Easement document and authorize delivery to Quartz Hill Water District.

#### PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended action is to obtain your Board's approval to grant an easement for waterline purposes in, under, and across Assessor's Parcel No. 3111-001-913 in the City of Lancaster from the County of Los Angeles (County) to the Quartz Hill Water District (QHWD). The QHWD requested the easement in connection with their water main extension project. The granting of this easement is not considered adverse to the County's purposes.

### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

This County Strategic Plan directs the provision of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1). The revenue from this transaction will help promote fiscal sustainability for the County's infrastructure.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

The cost for the easement in the amount of \$9,900 represents the fair market value of the easement. This amount has been paid and deposited into the County Road Fund.

#### FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Assessor's Parcel No. 3111-001-913 is located south of Camino Hermanos in the City of Lancaster. In 1927, the County of Los Angeles acquired the subject parcel to provide gravel and other excavated materials for the maintenance of County roads and highways. Currently, the Department of Public Works actively uses this site for purposes for which it was originally acquired.

The grant of easement is authorized by California Government Code, Section 25365. This Section provides as follows: "The board of supervisors, may by a four-fifths vote, grant, ...to...any other public agency within the county..., any real or personal property, or interest therein belonging to the county upon the terms and conditions as are agreed upon ...if the property or interest therein to be granted....is not required for county use..."

The enclosed Easement document has been approved by County Counsel as to form and will be recorded.

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#### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

This proposed grant of easement is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The project is within the class of projects, which have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment in that it meets the criteria specified in Sections 15303(d) and 15305 of the State CEQA Guidelines and Class 3(a) and Class 5(a) of the County Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G, adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987. The QHWD is the lead agency for this project, and a Notice of Exemption was prepared by QHWD and filed with the County Clerk on May 28, 2008.

### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

This action allows for the joint use of the County right of way without interfering with County operations.

### **CONCLUSION**

Enclosed are an original and duplicate copy of the Easement document. Please have the original and duplicate signed by the Chairman and acknowledged by the Executive Officer of the Board of Supervisors.

Please return one adopted copy of this letter and the executed original Easement document to the Department of Public Works, Survey/Mapping & Property Management Division. Retain the duplicate for your files.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Farlier

**GAIL FARBER** 

Director

GF:SGS:hp

**Enclosures** 

c: Auditor Controller (Accounting Division - Asset Management)
Chief Executive Office (Lari Sheehan)
County Counsel
Executive Office

## ORIGINAL

RECORDING REQUESTED BY AND MAIL TO:

QUARTZ HILL WATER DISTRICT 42141 50th Street West Quartz Hill, CA 93536 Attention Chad Reed General Manager

THIS DOCUMENT IS EXEMPT FROM DOCUMENTARY TRANSFER TAX PURSUANT TO SECTION 11922 OF THE REVENUE & TAXATION CODE.

THIS DOCUMENT IS EXEMPT FROM RECORDING FEES PURSUANT TO SECTION 27383

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Assessor's Identification Number: 3111-001-913 (Portion)

OF THE GOVERNMENT CODE.

## EASEMENT

For a valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, a body corporate and politic (hereinafter referred to as COUNTY), does hereby grant to QUARTZ HILL WATER DISTRICT (hereinafter referred to DISTRICT), one permanent and exclusive easement and right of way, in gross, to lay, construct, reconstruct, maintain, operate, enlarge, improve, alter, inspect, repair, replace, renew, or remove at any time, and from time to time, underground waterlines and all necessary laterals thereto, consisting of one or more pipelines, markers, valves, meters, and other fixtures, devices, appurtenances, or equipment necessary or convenient for water production, transmission, or distribution, in, under, and across the real property in the City of Lancaster, County of Los Angeles, State of California, described in Exhibit A and shown on and delineated on Exhibit B, both attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof.

Subject to all matters of record and to the following reservation and conditions, which DISTRICT, by the acceptance of this Easement and/or the exercise of any of the rights granted herein, agrees to keep and perform, viz:

- 1. COUNTY reserves the paramount right to use said land for any and all purposes consistent with the enjoyment of the easement herein granted.
- 2. DISTRICT agrees that it will indemnify and save harmless COUNTY, its officers, agents and/or employees, from any and all liability, loss, or damage to which COUNTY, its, officers, agents, or employees, may be subjected as the result of any act or omission by DISTRICT, its officers, agents or employees, arising out of the exercise by DISTRICT, or its officers, agents, or employees, of any of the rights granted to it by this instrument.

File with: QUARTZ HILL WATER DISTRICT SITE (1)

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- 3. DISTRICT agrees that it will not perform or arrange for the performance of any construction or reconstruction work in, under, and across the land herein described until the plans and specifications for such construction or reconstruction work shall have first been submitted to and been approved in writing by the Director of Public Works of the County of Los Angeles. Such approval by the COUNTY shall not be interpreted or inferred as an endorsement or approval as to the design, accuracy, correctness, or authenticity of the information shown on submitted plans and specifications. Furthermore, such approval cannot be relied upon for any other purpose or by any third party for any reason whatsoever. COUNTY does not accept ownership or responsibility for the improvements.
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Dated

(COUNTY-SEAL

ATTEST:

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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, a body corporate and politic

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APPROVED AS TO FORM:

ROBERT E. KALUNIAN Acting County Counsel

Deputy

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NOTE: Acknowledgment form on reverse side.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA )	
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On January 6, 1987, the Board of Supervisors for the County of Los Angeles and ex officio the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts, agencies, and authorities for which said Board so acts adopted a resolution pursuant to Section 25103 of the Government Code that authorized the use of facsimile signatures of the Chairman of the Board on all papers, documents, or instruments requiring the Chairman's signature.	
The undersigned hereby certifies that on this \( \frac{1}{2} \) day of \( \frac{1}{2} \) day of \( \frac{1}{2} \) the facsimile signature of \( \frac{1}{2} \) On \( \frac{1}{2} \) Chairman of the Board of Supervisors of the COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, was affixed hereto as the official execution of this document. The undersigned further certifies that on this date a copy of the document was delivered to the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors of the COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES.	
In witness whereof, I have also hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal the day and year above written.	
(COUNTY-SEAL)	SACHI A. HAMAI, Executive Officer of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles  By  Deputy
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	
ROBERT E. KALUNIAN Acting County Counsel  By	
Deputy	CERTIFICATE OF ACCEPTANCE
APPROVED as to title and execution,	This is to certify that the interest in real property conveyed to Quartz Hill Water District, by the within instrument, is hereby accepted by the undersigned agent on behalf of the Board of Directors of Quartz Hill Water District pursuant to authority conferred by Resolution No.
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By	Dated

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### **EXHIBIT A**

File with: QUARTZ HILL WATER DISTRICT, SITE (1)

A.P.N. 3111-001-913 (portion)

T.G. 4105(A6) I.M. 339-217 S.D. 5

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#### LEGAL DESCRIPTION

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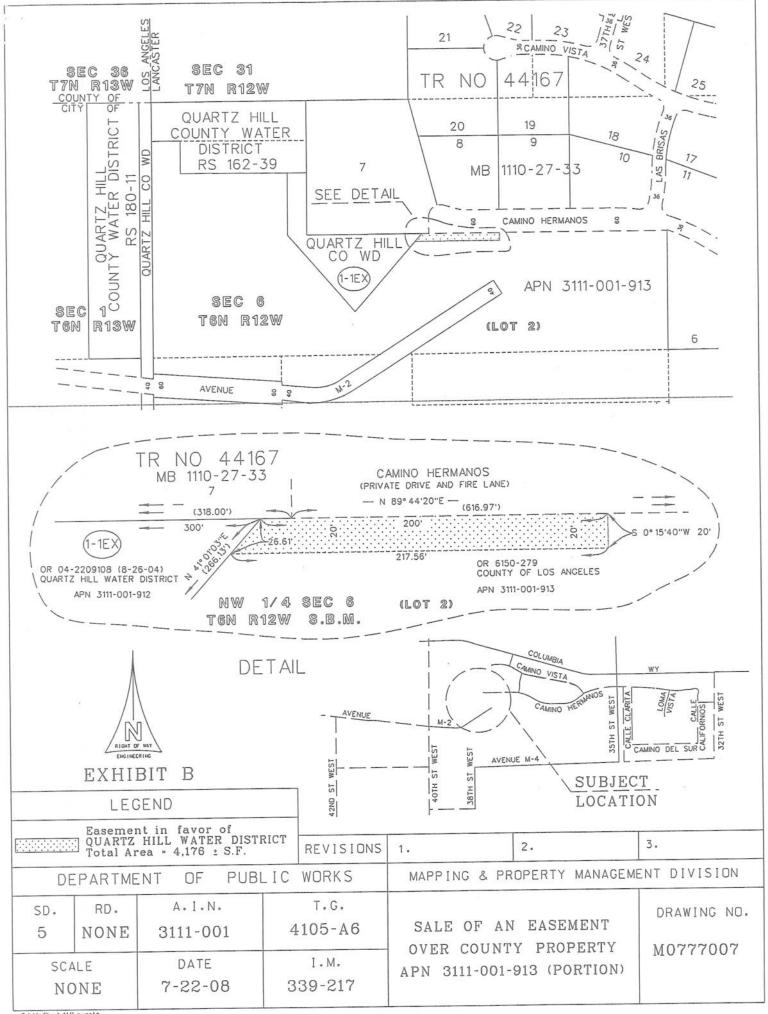
Containing: 4,176 ± square feet

This real property description has been prepared in conformance with the Professional Land Surveyors Act. The signatory herein is exempt pursuant to Section 8726 of the California Business and Professions Code.

APPROVED AS TO DESCRIPTION

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

By \_\_\_\_\_
SUPERVISING CADASTRAL ENGINEER III
Mapping and Property Management Division



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